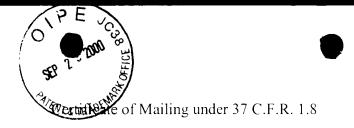
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RESPONSE

In response to the Official Action, mailed April 24, 2000, having a shortened statutory period for response which expires July 24, 2000, a petition for a two (2) month extension with the requisite fee being attached hereto, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application, withdrawal of all rejections, and the allowance of all claims in view of the following amendments, remarks and attached Declaration of Dr. Jacques Fresco.

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the above application as follows: